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(57) Abstract: Disclosed is an immunocontraceptive vaccine composition comprising a teleost homolog of zona pellucida (TH-ZP), together with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier, for reducing or preventing fertilization in a fish, and a method for its use. Also disclosed is an immunocontraceptive vaccine composition comprising an antigen from an inner perivitelline layer (IPVL), together with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier, for reducing or preventing fertilization in a bird, and a method for its use.

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Immunocontraceptive vaccine compositions comprising a teleost homolog of zona pellucida (TH-ZP) as defined in claims 1-7 for reducing or preventing fertilization in a fish; Methods for reducing or preventing fertilization in fish by administering the above compositions.

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Immunocontraceptive vaccine compositions comprising an antigen from an inner perivitelline layer (IPVL) of a bird egg as defined in claims 10-20 for reducing or preventing fertilization in a bird; Methods for reducing or preventing fertilization in a bird.

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